

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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April 10, 2001

FROM: GARY PENROD, Sheriff
Sheriff's Department

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 6 TO DIVISION 4 OF TITLE 2 OF THE SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO SHERIFF SERVICES FEE FOR CALLS TO PARTIES REQUIRING MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE.

RECOMMENDATION: Read title only of proposed ordinance relating to imposing a Sheriff's services fee for calls to parties requiring more than one response; waive reading of entire text and continue to Tuesday, April 17, 2001 for adoption.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Numerous concerns have been raised by citizens in the Muscoy area regarding disturbances caused by loud parties. In response to the Fifth District's concerns, the Sheriff's Department is proposing an ordinance that would impose a fee to the person(s) responsible, if the Department is required to make repeated calls to a party, gathering, or event, located in the unincorporated area of the County, in order to disperse uncooperative and unruly participants. For purposes of this ordinance, the person(s) responsible would be defined as: the property owner(s), person(s) in charge of the premises, the person(s) authorizing use of the premises, or the person(s) who organized the party. If the responsible person is a minor, the minor's parents would be deemed responsible. The fee imposed would be based upon the actual cost of Sheriff's personnel, based upon the amount of time actually spent in responding to or remaining at a party, using the rates established by the County Fee Ordinance (County Code Section 16.0226(m)). This ordinance is similar to an ordinance implemented by the City of Redlands.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: Deputy County Counsel Kevin Norris has reviewed this action and prepared the ordinance which has been reviewed by the County Administrative Office, Tom DeSantis.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The fee imposed would offset the cost of implementing the ordinance. No additional cost to the County.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): All Districts

PRESENTER: Deputy Chief Keith Bushey

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